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SUBJ: UN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS: MINISTERIAL MEETING
OF CONTRIBUTORS

1. MISSION HAS BEEN INFORMED BY MISOFFS OF YUGOSLAVIA AND AUSTRALIA THAT THEIR GOVERNMENTS INTEND TO ANNOUNCE CONTRIBUTIONS AT THE SEPTEMBER 27 MEETING. YUGOSLAV FONMIN WILL ANNOUNCE \$7 MILLION PLEDGE, OF WHICH 40 PERCENT MIGHT BE DEPOSITED IN SYG'S SPECIAL ACCOUNT. AUSTRALIAN MINISTER WILL REHEARSE GOA PLEDGE OF 40 MILLION AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS (53 MILLION US DOLLARS). IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT AUSTRALIAN EFFORT WILL BE MOSTLY THROUGH BILATERAL CHANNELS AND AIMED AT SELECTED GROUP OF 8 OR 9 COUNTRIES, INCLUDING SRI LANKA, BANGLADESH, INDIA AND KENYA. AUSTRALIA IS APPARENTLY STILL STUDYING POSSIBILITY OF MAKING ONE OR TWO MILLION CONTRIBUTIONS IN CASH TO SYG'S SPECIAL ACCOUNT.

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2. WE UNDERSTAND EC-9 MET IN NY SEPTEMBER 24 TO DISCUSS

MINISTERIAL MEETING. DECISION WAS MADE, PER UK MISOFF, THAT EC-9 POSITION WOULD REMAIN AS IT PRESENTLY STANDS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 27 MEETING. HOWEVER, THERE WAS IN COURSE EC-9 CONSULTATIONS SOME INDICATION THAT SOME OF ITS MEMBERS MAY FEEL COMPELLED TO MAKE BILATERAL PLEDGES. NETHERLANDS IN PARTICULAR REPORTEDLY MAY GO BEYOND \$30 MILLION PLEDGE ALREADY ANNOUNCED. WHEN ASKED RE UK INTENTIONS, UK MISOFF SAID THAT HIS GOVT WOULD REVIEW POSSIBILITY OF ANNOUNCEMENT BILATERAL PLEDGE SEPTEMBER 25. HE THOUGHT IT IMPROBABLE THAT UK WOULD MAKE BILATERAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

3. JAPANESE MISOFF SAID THAT GOJ WOULD NOT MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT BEYOND THE \$100 MILLION ALREADY ANNOUNCED AND DELIVERED.

4. UK MISOFF SAID THAT HE UNAWARE OF ANY OTHER LIKELY PLEDGES, BUT THAT HE FULLY ANTICIPATE ARAB REPS WOULD BE OBSTREPEROUS AT MINISTERIAL SESSION.
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